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Food grain storage practices followed by the farm women

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SUMMARY:

In order to study the food grain storage practices followed by the farm women, 120 farm women were selected randomly from Raigad district of konkan region. The special designed schedule was used for collection of data. The data were collected for the year 2009. The data regarding practices used by the farm women for storage of food grains revealed that majority of the respondents had 'fully' adopted the practices namely, 'proper drying and cleaning of food grain on threshing yard "sun drying' (93.33 %) used gunny bags as container for food grain storage (87.50 %). 93.33 per cent of the respondents used neem leaves to protect the food grain from stored grain pest. Majority of the respondents had 'not adopted' the practices namely 'use of silo bin, pusa bin, kisan kothi' (100.00 %), "spraying of insecticides on storage material before storage of food grains' (95.84 %) and use of fumigants' (94.17 %).

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